

THE PACKERS PLEAD GUILTY

A Heavy Fine Imposed by the United States Court in Chicago.

JAIL SENTENCE IS OMITTED

Such Action Taken Because of Condition of Defendant.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, September 21.—Four officials of the Schwartzchild and Sulzberger Packing Company, of Chicago, were fined an aggregate of \$25,000 by Judge Humphrey in the United States District Court here to-day. The fines followed a plea of guilty to indictment, charging conspiracy to accept railroad rebates. The defendants were Samuel E. Wolf, of New York, vice president of the company; B. S. Cusey, traffic manager; Vance D. Skipworth and Charles E. Todd, assistant traffic managers. Mr. Wolf was fined \$10,000, the other three \$5,000 each. With the entering of the plea the declaration was made that unless at least one of the cases is immediately settled, the life of Samuel Wolf, who is vice-president of the company and is one of the defendants, is in jeopardy. He is said to be a nervous wreck and fears were entertained for his life if he had been allowed to continue under the strain of a trial.

The plea was entered, it is declared, after a complete understanding had been reached between counsel for defendants and Attorney-General William H. Moody. While in Chicago the Attorney-General was apprised of the condition of Vice-President Wolf, and, it is said, agreed to the entry of a plea of guilty, with the understanding that the full provision of the law under which the indictment was returned should be waived and commensurate was made in the case of the other three defendants.

The four defendants were charged with unlawfully combining and agreeing to solicit rebates for the Schwartzchild and Sulzberger Company from railroad companies.

Charges were made that the defendants conspired with each other in presenting supposed claims for damages which were in reality claims for rebates.

During the sentence the court-room was absolutely still, and the defendants were visibly affected. At the last word of the court there was a general stir, a buzz of conversation, and it was necessary for the clerk to call for order. Meanwhile the check for the payment of the fines was quickly made out, and the four Schwartzchild and Sulzberger officials stepped out of the court-room free.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Bedford City Organizes for the Commercial Interest of the Town.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BEDFORD CITY, September 21.—At a called meeting of the citizens of Bedford City and its suburbs Tuesday evening a board of trade or chamber of commerce was formed, to further the commercial and industrial interests of the place, by locating manufacturing enterprises, inviting parties to the place to locate in the town and county.

Major S. Griffin, attorney for the Norfolk and Western Railway, presided, and introduced Mr. F. H. Baume, the agricultural and industrial agent of that road, who addressed the meeting, urging the advantage such an organization would afford the place, and pledging, as far as practicable, the co-operation of himself and the railroad corporation he represented.

A permanent organization was effected by the election of Mr. J. R. Summerson, a prominent real estate agent, as president. Mr. T. W. Richardson, editor and proprietor of the Bedford Bulletin, secretary-treasurer. A board of directors was chosen, as follows: Messrs. W. L. Lyle, J. A. Clark, J. T. Davidson, W. A. Fitzpatrick, F. O. Thomas, J. J. Scott, Paul Bargamin, L. R. Ellis, W. H. Wilkinson, and J. G. Smith.

They were instructed to draft a constitution and by-laws for the government of the organization, which is to be known as the "Board of Trade of Bedford."

HILL MONTAGUE
Was Principal Speaker at Odd-Fellows' Flag Raising.

(By Associated Press.)
PHILADELPHIA, September 21.—The Sovereigns and Past Masters of Odd-Fellows to-day selected Philadelphia, Pa., as the next place of meeting.

The question of appointing the Patriarch of the Sovereigns Lodge was referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

Afternoon there was a flag-raising at the Odd-Fellows' Home for Orphans, at which Hill Montague, president of the Virginia Orphans' Home at Lynchburg, was the principal speaker. About \$1,800 was contributed by those present for the support of the home.

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THE YELLOW FEVER RECORD IS LOWER

Situation Better in New Orleans, But No Material Change in the Country.

Situation in New Orleans.

New cases, 36.
Total to date, 2,725.
Deaths, 4.
Total, 355.

New foot, 9.
Cases under treatment, 319.
Cases discharged, 2,051.

MISSISSIPPI.

Natchez, three new cases, one death, and one new focus.

Iicksburg, three new cases, no deaths, forty-four cases to date.

Hamburg, one suspicious case, no death.

No new cases reported from any point on the gulf coast.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW ORLEANS, September 21.—The record of new cases to-day is lower, as is also the list of deaths and new foci, which, following the rather heavy report of Wednesday, is gratifying. One of the explanations of the continued heavy daily reports is the anxiety of the physicians to report every case in their practice which may possibly be yellow fever.

An instance of this kind occurred to-day, when a physician sent in a positive report on a case which he had reported as suspicious three weeks ago, and which had long recovered. He reached the conclusion that it was a positive case because two other cases have developed in the house within the period for secondary infection.

Only nine of the new cases are up-town, while four of the nine new foci are in that part of the city. Of the deaths, two occurred in the emergency hospital. The country situation shows no material change. The emergency fund of the State Board of Health has been exhausted, and now the expenditures which are being made come from the special fund borrowed by the Governor originally to relieve the situation in New Orleans. Where communities are in need of assistance for the operation of emergency hospitals, the payment of nurses, physicians, etc., the Governor assigned what he considers sufficient to meet the immediate needs.

Two positive cases of yellow fever were diagnosed at Gross Tete in Iberville Parish. Bunkie and Bayou Duval turned up at one case each. They are almost in the same neighborhood.

An autopsy was held on the case of a suspicious fever reported at Everett, in Vernon Parish, and it was proven not to be yellow fever.

Other country reports were: Kemmer, 5 new cases; St. Bernard, 3 cases; Tallulah, 9 new cases; Gross Tete, 2 cases; Bunkie, 1 new case; Bayou Duval, 1 case; Alexandria, 2 new cases; Patterson, 1 new case; one death.

Dr. Anderson, who was sent to Tallulah to assist Dr. Chassagnard, was stricken with yellow fever, but has only a mild case.

First Death at Natchez.

(By Associated Press.)
NATCHEZ, MISS., September 21.—Three new cases of yellow fever were reported to-day, bringing the total up to thirteen. The first death occurred this afternoon, the deceased being Richard Abbott, a prominent young married man, whose case was reported on the tenth instant.

The young wife was removed to a private nursing home with fever a few hours before his death. Her case has not been pronounced yellow fever. The three new cases are: Mrs. Devereux Shields and son and Mrs. J. Laton. Mrs. Shields is the wife of Captain Devereux Shields, who was captured by the insurgents in the island of Marandouque, P. I., in 1901, and rescued by General Surgeon Wadsworth. The three negro patients were discharged to-day, leaving eleven under treatment.

Cuban Quarantine.

GALVESTON, TEX., September 21.—The quarantine against Cuban ports was today modified to become effective at once. State Health Officer Labor has directed that vessels from Cuba be thoroughly fumigated immediately upon arrival. His inspection they will be permitted to come to the docks without further detention. No one except the captain, however, is to be permitted to come to shore.

Suspicious Cases.

JACKSON, MISS., September 21.—No positive diagnosis has been made of the suspicious case reported here to-day by Dr. W. B. Todd, Surgeon Wadsworth, of the Marine Hospital service, arrived from Gulfport too late to make a positive statement, having found the woman free of fever. Dr. Haralson has been ordered to

Three New Cases.

(By Associated Press.)
YICKSBURG, MISS., September 21.—Three new cases of yellow fever, and no deaths were reported to-day. Two of the "stricken to-day were white."

Six New Cases.

(By Associated Press.)
PENSACOLA, FLA., September 21.—Six new cases of yellow fever developed here to-day, showing a gradual increase in the number of cases to develop a day. The cases reported to-day are scattered all over the city, and are not traceable to the original district. Owing to the position shown by residents, the physicians confront a different proposition in their efforts to get the fever under control.

Total cases to date, 65; deaths, 9; discharged, 32; under treatment, 14.

JAP BADLY HURT.

Professor of Jiu Jitsu Receives Permanent Injury to Eye.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ASHEVILLE, N. C., Sept. 21.—In a wrestling match last Friday night Prof. A. Ono, of Japan, and last year's instructor of the Jiu Jitsu, received permanent injury to his eye at the hands of Prof. Olsen, of Chicago. Ono claims that he was fouled here this afternoon, and that he is now suffering from a serious eye injury.

Mr. Hirano, Ono's manager, left this afternoon for Washington to see the Japanese minister and lay the matter before him with the request that President Roosevelt be consulted. Hirano, before leaving, said that he desired to consult the Japanese minister relative to the amount.

Prof. Schoenfeld, the referee, and Big Tom Fishbein of Madison county, will go to Knoxville, Tenn., this week and witness an exhibition match in that city Saturday night. The Madison county man and Prof. Schoenfeld will wrestle American style.

FLAT DENIAL IS MADE BY TAGGART

(Continued from First Page.)

J. P. Morgan & Co., \$300,000 in these bonds, came up again when the warrant for the check of \$300,000 was produced. These bonds were bought back by the New York Life two days later, and the \$300,000 of interest. Mr. Perkins would not acknowledge the transaction was a loan.

The total dealings of the company with the Morgan Company amounted to \$35,267,075, with a profit of \$78,768,103. The matter of the company's income was for the present dropped, and the way of spending the money was probed. The agency system of the company was discussed at all this point. Vice President Thomas A. Buckner, who has charge of the agency system, was called. He stated that the total salaries of agency inspectors were \$126,000 annually. Agency directors get an average annual salary of \$3,000. The latter receive about \$100,000 annually in bonuses.

Mr. Buckner was unable to answer many questions without referring to records, and will be called again.

That Joint Account.

Earlier in the day Mr. Perkins had been questioned on the "joint account" transactions of the New York Life Insurance Company, which he was unable to explain last Friday. He occupied almost the entire morning session, and presented statements of each account.

Mr. Perkins took occasion to correct his testimony of last Friday relative to the navigation bonds when he was asked if the object of the transaction between J. P. Morgan and Company and the New York Life Insurance Company was to remove the \$300,000 bonds from the insurance company's books and reduce their holdings temporarily from \$4,000,000 to \$3,700,000. Mr. Perkins answered yes, but to-day said: "I did not mean that."

Before Mr. Perkins took the stand John F. McCullagh, of Albany, a clerk for Andrew Hamilton, was called in an attempt to probe further into the \$100,000 check matter, but Mr. McCullagh could give no information, and was excused.

The investigation will be resumed to-morrow.

SEE THE PRESIDENT.

He Talks to Root, Lodge and Choate About Insurance.

(By Associated Press.)
OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Sept. 21.—Secretary of State Elihu Root, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, and John H. Choate, former American ambassador to Great Britain, who spent last night at Sagamore Hill as guests of the President Roosevelt, left for New York to-day.

The conference between the President and his visitors was admittedly important. The principal topic of discussion was the recent disclosures in the investigation of the conduct of the life insurance companies of New York being made by a committee of the New York Legislature.

It is learned that the most important international question considered at the conference was that relating to the second peace conference to be held at The Hague. It has developed that the President withheld further steps toward summoning that conference on the request of the Russian Emperor, who desired to take the initiative himself.

WADDEY SAYS HE IS SATISFIED

Typothetae Now Have Men at Work and Others Coming.

STATEMENT FROM STRIKERS

Say That "Eight-Hour Work Day" is Being Accepted All Over Country.

Mr. Everett Waddey stated yesterday that the employing printers had a number of new men at work and that there were many more on the way here. He further stated that all the printing presses were turning out work and that the conditions were growing brighter every day.

"Have you tried the Chicago scheme of working women at the machines," was asked.

"That's a question I must not answer," replied Mr. Waddey. "You cannot expect us to give our plans away. All I can say is that we are satisfied with the situation."

The committee on publicity from the Typographical Union gave out the following statement last night:

"The situation of the striking printers remain unchanged. At the headquarters meeting, and the reports read to the body were of an encouraging nature."

"The report put in circulation to the effect that some of the offices had secured men to take the places of the strikers was not taken seriously by the members of the union. It was said by representatives of the union that the men who were brought here would have to be in their battle for the eight-hour day."

"The printers throughout the country are gaining ground on the Typothetae, and the statement that the master printers' ranks have not been broken is erroneous."

A telegram was received from the Atlanta Typographical union where a strike on, in which it was stated that the Franklin Printing Company, a member of the Atlanta Typothetae, employing forty-seven men, had signed up. The strike in Atlanta began Wednesday, involving one hundred men.

"The printers have won in two-thirds of the cities throughout the country. President James M. Lynch, of Indianapolis, did not participate in a victory when he called the call several days ago. In places where it was thought that the unions were weak, the Typothetae has been beaten."

NO RICHMOND WORK.

Job Offices in Washington Will Not Accept Contracts From Here.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., September 21.—The Typothetae of Washington, composed of a number of the proprietors of book and job printing houses of this city, at a meeting this afternoon, decided to accept no more work from establishments in Richmond, in which the compositors are striking for an eight-hour day.

This action was the result of a protest from the officers of the local Typographical union to the Typothetae. The union officers claimed that the members of the Washington union were being used in an endeavor to break the strike in Richmond.

Notice was served that unless the publishers ceased executing such work they would involve the Washington offices in trouble.

Champion Shooters.

(By Associated Press.)
CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 21.—The shooting tournament of the Cincinnati Gun Club closed to-day. Charles Bunker Dea, of Mo., won the championship with a score of 546 breaks out of a possible six hundred targets, in three days' shooting.

Stanley Rhoades, of Columbus, O., won the amateur match with 540 breaks out of a possible 644 targets, in three days' shooting.

RIGHT OF ASSEMBLY FOR RUSSIAN PEOPLE

Will Soon Be Given Them, Coupled, However, With Numerous Restrictions.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, September 22.—3:10 A. M.—A project for granting the Russian people under certain limitations the right of assembly for the discussion of political and economic questions—a reform second in importance also to the convocation of the representative assembly, and which was elaborated by a commission under the presidency of Count Ignatiev, is now practically completed, and after a final review by the Solsky commission on Saturday will be immediately laid before Emperor Nicholas. Its promulgation is confidently expected early next week.

Though coupled with a number of restrictions designed to give the authorities a right of veto in proceedings in order to prevent discussion of treasonable or seditious subjects it will mark a great constitutional advance, the people hitherto having had no general right of assembly except at meetings of authorized societies.

Mr. Smith's resignation will take effect on October 1. It is not known when the board will elect his successor, but meanwhile someone will be designated to act.

The school trustees of Amelin county have protested against the appointment of school examiners, declaring that it is a useless expenditure of money. It is figured out that Amelia's portion of the sum necessary to pay the examiners would not be more than \$4.

Her Brother Protested in Vain. Two Other Virginia Couples Married.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BALTIMORE, MD., September 21.—Three eloping couples from Virginia were married at Hagerstown, Md., to-day.

Miss Annie C. Harris and George E. Sargent, both of Hagerstown, were married by Rev. A. H. McKim at his residence.

Miss Mary Parker, of Cedar Creek, and James G. McCune, of Woodstock, the groom forty, bride just sixteen, married at the hotel by Rev. A. B. Statton.

A brother of the groom followed the bride and protested in vain against the marriage.

Miss Annie Young and Harrison Duncan, both from Luray, married by Rev. J. M. Tompkins at the City Hotel.

NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Republicans Elect T. H. Smith Delegate to Convention to Be Held Saturday.

MR. WELLS MAY BE NOMINATED

Pupils to Have Extra Rooms. Mr. John Wilkinson Robbed.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, Sept. 21.—A meeting of the Republicans of Manchester was held in Cunningham's Hall last night to elect a delegate to the convention to be held Saturday, when a candidate will be nominated to oppose Willis C. Pulliam, the Democratic nominee for the House. The meeting was largely attended by the representative Republicans of the city. Mr. T. H. Smith presided, with J. L. Walker as secretary.

Mr. Smith was elected upon an delegate with Mr. W. R. Beattie as alternate.

A resolution was passed that the delegate be instructed to vote for some representative, who, in the opinion of the convention, would be likely to put up the strongest fight against the Democratic nominee. There was a stiff argument as to whether the delegate should go with instructions to vote for Mr. C. S. Wells, but it was decided finally that he should go uninstructed. Mr. Smith, however, promised the meeting that he would nominate Mr. Wells, and that he would do all in his power to have him named. This seemed to satisfy the members, all of whom were evidently very anxious to have their favorite receive the nomination of the convention.

A resolution was passed endorsing the endorsement of Wells, and also endorsing the campaign, so far as it has been conducted by C. B. Slemph.

Mr. Wilkinson Robbed.

Mr. John Wilkinson, a carpenter, formerly employed by the Virginia and Passenger Railroad Power Company, but now employed in the Southern shops, was robbed early yesterday morning while asleep in his home, 309 Perry Street. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson were asleep in their bedroom on the first floor when the thief lifted the catch with a knife, entered the room and rifled the pockets of the sleeping couple. The burglar secured \$2.85, which was in the clothes. The exact time of the robbery is not known, but neither Mr. or Mrs. Wilkinson were awakened at the time, and discovered their loss only on arising.

To Have Extra Rooms.

The overflow in the Manchester schools will be placed in two rooms in the Leander building until further accommodation can be made for the increased number of pupils. The overflow will be placed in the building as soon as the applications of teachers can be acted upon and two teachers be appointed. The rooms are situated on the ground floor and are well ventilated and lighted, and in every way suited for this purpose. The overflow has a disturbance at the school board has decided that two white schools are necessary for the city.

Persons and Briefs.

Mr. W. W. Wilshire, of Powhatan county, visited in town yesterday.

Miss Cora, who has been visiting Mrs. E. D. Wilkinson at No. 1115 Hull Street, has returned home.

Mr. Mayor, yesterday morning, died of a heart ailment. He was formerly of Manchester, and was invited many of her Manchester friends to visit with her.

Mr. Joseph E. Toney, of Powhatan, was in town yesterday.

Mr. Lee Latham is in his home on Hull Street.

Miss Olive Piquet, of Drewry's Bluff, is visiting her sister, Miss Pearl Piquet.

A deed was recorded yesterday in the clerk's office of Chesterfield county conveying to A. L. Adamson, of Manchester, trustee for E. B. Toney, 640 acres of land on the border of Powhatan county from Julian A. Sallee for \$7,500. At the same time was recorded a deed from A. Adamson to the Lyon and Montague Company for the timber on the tract for \$5,500, a profit of 2,000, with the land still in Mr. Adamson's charge.

THE MUTUAL LIFE Company and Its Stockholders Have Profited By the Course Followed.

NEW YORK, September 21.—The ethics controlling the formation of underwriting syndicates are being extensively discussed in connection with the testimony given by the legislative investigating committee.

It is the consensus of opinion among those best qualified to judge that the record of the Mutual Life shows that its participation in such syndicates was amply justified by the financial success throughout the civilized world. Second, that the results of such participation have inured to the benefit and profit of its policyholders. Third, that the occasional participation of some of the company's associates in such syndicates was a source of proportionate profit to the company. The testimony likewise proved that the Mutual Life has never entered into any joint accounts with bankers or brokers, or otherwise profited on purchases or sales were divided.

SCHOOL MATTERS.

Four Corned Fight for Superintendent in Hanover County.

There are four candidates for superintendent of schools in Hanover county to succeed Mr. Marvin R. Smith, resigned. They are Messrs. S. W. McChesney, B. K. Conley, C. C. Redd, and a Mr. Christian, whose first name is not recalled.

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BIRMINGHAM IRON MARKET MAKES SPLENDID RECORD

(By Associated Press.)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., September 21.—The Birmingham iron market is unusually brisk this week. One company reports sales of 80,000 tons of pig iron, within the last three days. The entire sales of about 80,000 tons since September 1st. The sales of other Birmingham companies will bring the total up to about 125,000 since the first of the month. This is probably the best record ever made by a Southern company in the iron trade.

The bulk of the iron sold is for pig delivery. It is said by officials of the leading companies that not a ton has been sold at less than \$12 on No. 2 basis, and which is nearly a dollar a ton better than the prices obtained in July, when a large buying movement set in.

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DEATH OF BROTHER OF CECIL RHODES

He Was in the Jameson Raid and Was Once Sentenced to Death.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, September 21.—Information was received here this afternoon of the death of Colonel Francis William Rhodes (retired), brother of the late Cecil Rhodes, and managing director of the African Trans-Continental Telegraph Company. He died at Cape Town to-day after having been ill for some time of black water fever. He was born in 1851.

Colonel Rhodes was a volunteer in the Jameson raid. He was arrested by the Transvaal government, pleaded guilty to the charge of high treason and was sentenced to death, the sentence being later commuted to imprisonment with banishment later.

Persons and Briefs.

Junius Murland Schutte left this week to attend school at the Virginia Military Academy at Warrenton, Va.

Mr. Eugene McCandlish and his sister, Miss Irene, of Hinton, Va., who have been visiting Mr. W. H. Lowry, of No. 218 Venable Street, and who are expected to return to-day, have returned to their respective homes.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Valentine and Mr. C. Valentine are spending the week-end at Belle Meade, their country home.

The beautiful and attractive Miss Sude Barkeley, of Charleston, S. C., and Miss Ruelle Valentine, of Richmond, who have been visiting at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Valentine, of Powhatan, have returned to their homes.